

Union Calendar No. 326

106TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 1237

[Report No. 106-596]

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to permit grants for the national estuary program to be used for the development and implementation of a comprehensive conservation and management plan, to reauthorize appropriations to carry out the program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 23, 1999

Mr. SAXTON (for himself, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. GILCHREST, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. SHAYS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

MAY 2, 2000

Additional sponsors: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. FORBES, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. WU, Mr. METCALF, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. GOSS, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. LAZIO, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. WEINER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. FOWLER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. MICA, and Mrs. TAUSCHER

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM.**

4 ~~(a) GRANTS.—Section 320(g) of the Federal Water~~
 5 ~~Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330(g)) is amended by~~
 6 ~~striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting the fol-~~
 7 ~~lowing:~~

8 ~~“(2) PURPOSES.—Grants under this subsection~~
 9 ~~shall be made to pay for assisting activities nec-~~
 10 ~~essary for the development and implementation of a~~
 11 ~~comprehensive conservation and management plan~~
 12 ~~under this section.~~

13 ~~“(3) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of a~~
 14 ~~grant to any person (including a State, interstate, or~~
 15 ~~regional agency or entity) under this subsection for~~
 16 ~~a fiscal year—~~

17 ~~“(A) shall not exceed—~~

1 “(i) 75 percent of the annual aggre-
 2 gate costs of the development of a com-
 3 prehensive conservation and management
 4 plan; and

5 “(ii) 50 percent of the annual aggre-
 6 gate costs of the implementation of the
 7 plan; and

8 “(B) shall be made on condition that the
 9 non-Federal share of the costs are provided
 10 from non-Federal sources.”.

11 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
 12 320(i) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
 13 U.S.C. 1330(i)) is amended by striking “\$12,000,000 per
 14 fiscal year for each of fiscal years 1987, 1988, 1989,
 15 1990, and 1991” and inserting “\$50,000,000 for each of
 16 fiscal years 2000 through 2004”.

17 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 18 this section take effect on October 1, 1999.

19 **SECTION 1. NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM.**

20 (a) ADDITIONS TO NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM.—
 21 Section 320(a)(2)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-
 22 trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1330(a)(2)(B)) is amended by inserting
 23 “Lake Ponchartrain Basin, Louisiana and Mississippi;
 24 Mississippi Sound, Mississippi;” before “and Peconic Bay,
 25 New York.”.

1 (b) *GRANTS.*—*Section 320(g) of the Federal Water Pol-*
 2 *lution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330(g)) is amended by strik-*
 3 *ing paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting the following:*

4 “(2) *PURPOSES.*—*Grants under this subsection*
 5 *shall be made to pay for activities necessary for the*
 6 *development and implementation of a comprehensive*
 7 *conservation and management plan under this sec-*
 8 *tion.*

9 “(3) *FEDERAL SHARE.*—*The Federal share of a*
 10 *grant to any person (including a State, interstate, or*
 11 *regional agency or entity) under this subsection for a*
 12 *fiscal year—*

13 “(A) *shall not exceed—*

14 “(i) *75 percent of the annual aggregate*
 15 *costs of the development of a comprehensive*
 16 *conservation and management plan; and*

17 “(ii) *50 percent of the annual aggre-*
 18 *gate costs of the implementation of the plan;*
 19 *and*

20 “(B) *shall be made on condition that the*
 21 *non-Federal share of the costs are provided from*
 22 *non-Federal sources.”.*

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